

12-27-04

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10 OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"

1646 B
[Signature]

EV 606104760 US

December 21, 2004

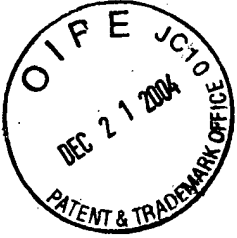
USPS Express Mail Label Number

Date of Deposit

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Services "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

By: _____

[Signature]
Maricy Foster



PATENT

Customer Number: 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 06843.0075-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

M. Patricia BECKMANN et al.)

Application No.: 09/904,954)

Group Art Unit: 1646)

Filed: July 12, 2001)

Examiner: Mertz, Prema M.)

For: DNA ENCODING A HEK LIGAND)
POLYPEPTIDE (Amended))

Confirmation No. 4147)

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE

Applicants respond to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2004. The period for response has been extended to December 24, 2004, by the Petition for One Month Extension of Time and extension fee enclosed herewith. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, applicants propose to amend the application as follows: